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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments, with supporting remarks, responding to the Final Office Action mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, on April 20, 2004, and further to agreements reached at the conclusion of the June 7, 2004 interview that the Examiner kindly granted to Applicant and Applicant's undersigned counsel. Applicant respectfully submits that the amendments place all of the pending claims into condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected by the Listing of Claims that begins at page 2 of this paper.

Applicants' Remarks begin at page 10 of this paper.